



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Lasken et al

Serial No: 09/920,571

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Examiner: Strzelecka, T.

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the Decision dated 18 February 2004 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1, 5-9, 11-15, 20-25, 27, 29-59 and 61 of the above-referenced application for patent.

Applicant requests the Commissioner to note the following items:

1. A response to the final rejection is filed herewith.
2. Applicant is a small entity and the fee for filing this Notice of Appeal is \$165.00, and

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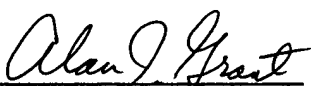
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3. A check for \$165.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the Notice of Appeal, along with \$55.00 for a 1 month extension of time to respond.

No additional fee is believed due in filing this Notice of Appeal. The Commissioner is requested to charge any additional fees, or credit any refunds, to Deposit Acc't No. 03-0678.

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